

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Long term removal of hair is achieved by delivering a collagen cleaving agent  
5 intradermally or subdermally. This is thought to disrupt the fine collagen network  
anchoring the hair follicles within the dermis and additionally by altering the normal  
functioning of the dermal papilla cells located in the base of the hair follicle. The method  
of removal is applicable to animal husbandry methods such as maintaining the breech of  
sheep hairless and thus has application as a substitute to mulesing. The method is also  
10 applicable for cosmetic hair removal.